GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:770
ANSWERED ON:12.07.2004
EXPENDITURE ON PROCUREMENT
Meghwal Shri Kailash

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the expenditure incurred by FCI on procurement, storage and distribution of wheat and rice has been on the rise during the last two years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the amount spent thereon per quintal during the last three years;

(c) whether such expenditure has been classified, separately; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The increase in expenditure incurred by FCI on procurement, storage and distribution of wheat and rice is on account of complete switch over to 50 kg packing in pursuance of recommendations of International Labour Organisation (ILO), higher take over of stocks from the State agencies, inflationary factors, wage revision, increase in hired storage capacity, lower average storage capacity utilisation and increase in movement cost due to higher offtake of foodgrains.

The per quintal expenditure during the last three years is given in the statement at Annexure-I.

(c): Yes, Sir. The procurement cost, storage cost and distribution cost are separately classified and accounted for.

(d): Details of per quintal procurement, storage and distribution cost for wheat and rice for the last three years are given in the statement at Annexure -I.

STATEMENT RFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) and (d) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 770 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 12.07.2004 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Expenditure incurred (per quintal) on procurement, storage and distribution of wheat and rice during the last three years.

[in Rs./Qtl]
Total Expenditure

Commodity	2001-02	2002-03(Prov.)	2003-04 (RE)
WHEAT	859.94	923.68	955.93
RICE	1128.53	1228.59	1274.26

Item wise Expenditure

Commodity	Item of expenditure	2001-02	2002-03 (Prov.)	2003-04 (RE)
WHEAT	Procurement cost	733.29	763.52	781.46

	Storage cost	12.86	17.12	20.60
	Distribution cost	113.79	143.04	153.87
RICE	Procurement cost	1008.91	1060.10	1066.80
	Storage cost	12.86	17.12	25.92
	Distribution cost	106.76	151.37	181.54